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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
MECHANICALLY PERFORATING A
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AMENDMENT

Introductory Comments

The Office action mailed July 16, 2003, has been reviewed, and the finality of the rejections has been noted. Applicant requests continued examination of the application, and amends the application as indicated above. In view of these amendments, Applicant submits that the application now is in condition for allowance.